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- 2. THE AGREEMENT EMBODIED GENERAL PROCEDURES FOR AVOIDING CONFLICT BETWEEN OPERATING UNITS OF BOTH PARTIES AT SEA, CONSISTENT WITH INTERNATIONAL RULES OF THE ROAD. IT ALSO ESTABLISHED A NAVY-TO-NAVY CHANNEL FOR ANNUAL REVIEW TALKS AND WORKING LEVEL COMMUNICATION ON INCIDENTS WHICH MAY OCCUR UNDER TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT. US VIEW IS THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AGREEMENT HAS BEEN MAJOR FACTOR CONTRIBUTING TO REDUCTION

OF CONFLICT ENCOUNTERS BETWEEN US AND SOVIET FORCES AT SEA.

3. DEPARTMENT PLANS REPORT TO US MISSION NATO FOLLOWING CONCLUSION OF TALKS. KISSINGER

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